GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4390
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PUBLIC TELEPHONE BOOTHS
RAMDAS ATHAWALE

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Public Telephone Booths (PCOs) installed in rural, tribal backward and dalit dominated areas of the country particularly in Pandharpur region of Maharashtra during the last three years;

(b) the number of post offices in the said areas having PCOs and the number of post offices which are yet having no PCOs in the country;

(c) whether the Government propose to provide more telecommunication facilities and install PCOs in post offices in the backward , tribal and dalit dominated areas of the country including Pandharpur region of Maharashtra;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said facilities are likely to be provided;

(e) the details of the targets set and achievements made of the said scheme in the country particularly in the said region during the last three years; and

(f) the amount spent for the purpose during the said period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (f): The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the house.